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FOR YOUR INFORMATION, BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF VIBE, FREIHOW,
AND SKOGMO FOLLOW:

1. KJELD VIBE (PRONOUNCED VEEBEH)
BORN 5 OCTOBER 1927

GRADUATED FROM A COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, 1949; LAW DEGREE, 1954.
ENTERED FOREIGN SERVICE, 1955. ASSIGNED TO NORWEGIAN
PERMANENT DELEGATION TO OEEC AND NATO, PARIS, 1956-59.
ASSIGNED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY, SEPTEMBER 1959; WORKED IN
LEGAL DIVISION (1960) AND POLITICAL DIVISION (1961). SERVED
BRIEFLY WITH NORWEGIAN MILITARY MISSION, WEST BERLIN, JANU-
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ARY-MARCH 1962; AIDE TO HALVARD LANGE, THEN FOREIGN MINISTER,
MARCH 1962-MARCH 1965. ASSIGNED TO WASHINGTON, D.C., AS
COUNSELOR OF EMBASSY, MARCH 1965-MAY 1969. DEPUTY DIRECTOR-

GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, FOREIGN MINISTRY, MAY 1969-DECEMBER 1972; DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, FOREIGN MINISTRY, SINCE DECEMBER 1972. HAS FOR YEARS BEEN A VERY VALUABLE AND FRIENDLY CONTACT FOR US EMBASSY IN OSLO, WHICH FOUND HIM INVARIABLY WELL-INFORMED ON ISSUES AND ON NORWEGIAN POLICY THERETO. HAS EXCELLENT CONTACTS WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT AND IS WELL-REGARDED BY PEERS AND SENIORS ALIKE, BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. HAS REGULARLY ATTENDED NATO MINISTERIAL MEETINGS. POLITICAL TIES ARE WITH NORWEGIAN CONSERVATIVE PARTY. PLEASANT AND EASY-GOING BUT VERY EFFICIENT. SPEAKS FLUENT ENGLISH. HAS ACCOMPANIED FOREIGN MINISTERS TO US, USSR, AND PRC.

2. HAKON FREIHOW (PRONOUNCED FRAYHOOV)
BORN 6 APRIL 1927

COMPLETED UNIVERSITY STUDIES, 1957. JOINED FOREIGN MINISTRY, JULY 1957. ASSIGNED TO MEXICO CITY, DECEMBER 1958-SEPTEMBER 1962; FOREIGN MINISTRY, SEPTEMBER 1962-SEPTEMBER 1965; MADRID, SEPTEMBER 1965-JANUARY 1969. FIRST SECRETARY, NORWEGIAN PERMANENT DELEGATION TO NATO, BRUSSELS, JANUARY 1969-NOVEMBER 1970. COUNSELOR OF EMBASSY (PRESS OFFICER), NORWEGIAN EMBASSY, BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 1970-JULY 1973; CHIEF, THIRD POLITICAL DIVISION (FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS CONCERNED WITH DEFENSE AND SECURITY POLICY AND NORWEGIAN PARTICIPATION IN NATO), SINCE JULY 1973. HAS PARTICIPATED IN MEETINGS OF VARIOUS NATO GROUPS, INCLUDING COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, DEFENSE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND NUCLEAR PLANNING GROUP.

3. BJORN SKOGMO (PRONOUNCED SKOOGMOO)
BORN 12 DECEMBER 1940

NORWEGIAN MILITARY ACADEMY FOR NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, 1960. GRADUATED FROM UNIV. OF OSLO, 1966. STUDIED AT CENTRE UNIVERSITAIRE DES HAUTES ETUDES EUROPEENES, CONFIDENTIAL

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STRASBOURG, 1968. ENTERED FOREIGN SERVICE, SEPTEMBER 1961. ASSIGNED TO ANKARA, AUGUST 1971-JUNE 1973; AND TO FOREIGN MINISTRY, JUNE 1973 TO PRESENT. SINCE C. 1974 HAS SERVED AS POLITICAL SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. ATTENDED DECEMBER 1974 MEETING OF NATO COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND DEFENSE PLANNING COMMITTEE. FIRST ATTRACTED ATTENTION IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY BECAUSE OF HIS TIMELY AND WELL-DRAFTED REPORTS FROM ANKARA ON DEVELOPMENTS IN TURKEY. AS OF 1973, APPEARED TO BE ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING YOUNG NORWEGIAN DIPLOMATS. INGERSOLL

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